



Department initiated Amendment

Part V Division 3 of the *Environmental Protection Act 1986*

Works Approval Number	W6727/2022/1
Works Approval Holder	Strike South West Pty Ltd
ACN	118 251 497
File Number	DER2022/000328
Premises	Walyering Processing Facility Brand Highway CATABY WA 6507 Legal description – Part of Petroleum Production Licence L23 As show in the Map in Schedule 1 and defined by the coordinates in Schedule 2
Date of Report	18 February 2025
Decision	Revised works approval granted

1. Amendment summary

This amendment is made pursuant to section 59 of the Environmental Protection Act 1986 (EP Act) to amend the existing works approval issued in respect the prescribed premises as set out below. This notice of amendment is hereby given under section 59B(9) of the EP Act.

This amendment is limited to extending the duration of the works approval. No other changes have been made to existing conditions or works approval holder obligations.

In completing the assessment documented in this report, the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (department) has considered and given due regard to its regulatory framework and relevant policy documents which are available at [DWER Regulatory documents | Western Australian Government \(www.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.wa.gov.au/government/publications/dwer-regulatory-documents).

2. Background

On 21 February 2023, Strike South West Pty Ltd (the works approval holder) was granted works approval W6727/2022/1 for the construction and time-limited operation of Walyering Processing Facility (the premises), a gas processing facility on Brand Highway located on Petroleum Production Licence L23. This works approval was subsequently amended on 30 January 2024 to extend the works approval time limited operation (TLO) duration to allow for continued lawful operation of the premises while assessment of a licence application for the premises is finalised.

The works approval holder submitted an Environmental Compliance Report to the department as per the requirements of the works approval on 22 September 2023 following the completion of construction of the premises. Environment Commissioning of the premises was conducted from 24 September to 3 October 2024 with the works approval holder subsequently submitting an Environmental Commissioning Report on 5 October 2023, followed by an application for a new licence for ongoing operation of the premises on 17 November 2023.

W6727/2022/1 is due to expire on 20 February 2025. There is insufficient time for the department to complete its assessment of the premises licence application prior to the expiry of the works approval. In addition, the department is undertaking assessment of a works approval amendment application relating to W6727/2022/1 and requires additional time to complete this assessment.

Therefore, to facilitate ongoing lawful operation of the Walyering Processing Facility while assessment of the premises licence application and works approval amendment application are completed, the works approval is being amended under section 59 of the EP Act on the initiative of the Chief Executive Officer to extend the instrument duration.

3. Consultation

The Works Approval Holder was provided with the draft Amendment Report and amended works approval on 11 February 2025 for comment. On 17 February 2025 the Works Approval Holder responded and waived the comment period.

4. Decision

Section 63 of the EP Act prescribes that a works approval shall continue in force for such period as is specified in the works approval. Works approval W6727/2022/1 is due to expire on 20 February 2025. The delegated officer decided to amend works approval W6727/2022/1 in accordance with section 59(1) of the EP Act by extending the expiry date by a further twelve-months, from 20 February 2025 to 20 February 2026.

The delegated officer noted that condition 5 of the works approval allows for time limited operation of the premises until a licence is granted. The twelve-month extension of the works approval provides continued authority to operate the premises infrastructure until such time as the assessment of the licence application is complete and a licence is granted.

In determining to amend the duration of the works approval, the following matters were considered by the delegated officer:

- the risks posed by emissions and discharges from the Walyering Processing Facility were assessed for the grant of W6727/2022/1;
- an extension to the works approval duration will not change the current risk profile of the premises, or change the risks posed by ongoing emissions from the premises;
- an environmental compliance report for the premises has been submitted and undergone review;
- the works approval holder submitted a licence application for the ongoing operation of the Walyering Processing Facility on 17 November 2023 which is currently under assessment;
- the premises will be subject to compliance inspections and investigations following incidents and complaints, in accordance with the EP Act; and
- in the event that risk issues arise in relation to the premises, the CEO may;
 - a) amend the works approval at any point, and
 - b) in the event of an alleged offence, exercise enforcement powers under the